IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Manuel Barbosa

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For: DUAL LEADING SHOE DRUM BRAKE

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 19, 2006, and in lieu of the Request for Continued Examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks.